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SUBJECT: EC COURT GROUP TO HOLD INFORMAL

DISCUSSION IN BERLIN

1. SENAT HAS ADVISED US THAT MEMBERS OF EC'S COURT OF JUSTICE LOCATED IN LUXEMBOURG WILL CONFER IN BERLIN MARCH 15-16 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF BUNDESKARTELLAMT. PURPOSE IS TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION INFORMALLY, NOT TO HOLD FORMAL COURT SESSION. APPROXIMATELY TEN-MAN EC DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE PRESIDENT OF COURT, PRESIDENT OF ONE OF COURT CHAMBERS, ONE OR MORE ADDITIONAL JUDGES AND SEVERAL OF COURT'S ADVOCATES-GENERAL. MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN REICHSTAG, AND GOVERNING MAYOR WILL HOST A MEAL.

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2. WE SEE NO PROBLEMS IN SUCH A MEETING, WHICH IS

TO SERVE PRACTICAL PURPOSE, BUT REPORT IT ON OFF-
CHANCE THAT SOVIETS WILL FEEL THEMSELVES COMPELLED
TO DELIVER SOME SORT OF STATEMENT SINCE IT INVOLVES
VARIOUS ELEMENTS, EC, FRG OFFICE LOCATED IN
BERLIN, AND SYMBOL-RICH REICHSTAG, TO ALL OF WHICH
THEY ARE SENSITIVE. THEIR INTEREST MAY CONCEIVABLY
BE PIQUED BY BRIEF PARAGRAPH IN MARCH 3 DIE WELT
WHICH SOMEWHAT AMBIGUOUSLY REPORTED THAT COURT WOULD
" MEET" IN BERLIN SO THAT JUDGES COULD CONSIDER ANTI-
TRUST QUESTIONS WITH BUNDESKARTELLAMT. GEORGE

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